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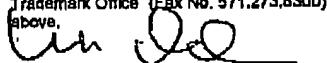
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Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

This reply and amendment is being filed in response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 29, 2005 for the above-identified patent application. The period to respond is extended by petition and payment of the appropriate fee. Please amend the application as follows.

Listing of the Claims, reflecting current amendments, begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.